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25X1 1. The peasant farmers in Rumania were in the process of being completely broken; but despite their desperate plight, they, for the most part, were helping each other evade the law and would not inform on each other.

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6. During these meetings the people were encouraged to ask questions. At a meeting [REDACTED] a man who had been in the US years ago refused to believe the propaganda line and spoke out against it. He was seized, along with his wife, and both were forced to work on the Danube canal which will connect the Danube with the Black Sea.

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7. This fate awaited anyone [REDACTED] who criticized the government. If husband or wife or child criticized, all but the small members of the family were seized. Children too small to work had to be taken in by relatives or friends.

8. Quotas were assigned for all farm produce, even as to how much seed was to be planted on how many acres. The production quota was placed too high to

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be met; and when a farmer failed to meet his quota, his land was seized and he had to find work on a collective farm or be sent to forced labor.

9. If a farmer was able to meet his quota, nothing was left for him; and he had to sell his land and household effects or tools in order to exist.

10. The Hungarian people and no longer have anything to live on.

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